

REMARKS

In the February 18, 2004 Office Action, the Examiner noted that claims 1-16 were pending in the application and required election between "Inventions I and II", where claims 1-13 were identified as "Invention I" and claims 14-16 were identified as "Invention" II. Applicants hereby elect "Invention I", but due to the amendment of claim 14 to depend from claim 1, it is submitted that there is no independent utility for claims 14-16 and thus, all claims should be included in "Invention I" and all claims should be examined.

In addition to amending claims 14-16 to depend from claim 1, the claims have been amended to improve their wording. Thus, none of the changes are directed to patentability and no "new matter" has been added. Entry of this Amendment and prompt examination of all of the claims is courteously solicited.

If there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

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